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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 26, 2016

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are requested regarding (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered.

Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 – 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

TITLE: Untreated Oranges, Tangerines, and Grapefruit from Mexico Transiting the

United States to Foreign Countries

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0579-0303

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: Under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.), the

Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to prohibit or restrict the importation, entry, or movement

of plants and plant pests to prevent the introduction of plant pests into the United States or their

dissemination within the United States. The Code of Federal Regulations, §352.30 addresses the

movement into or through the United States of untreated oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit from

Mexico that transit the United States en route to foreign countries.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

(APHIS) is taking action to provide additional protection against the possible introduction of

fruit flies via untreated oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit from Mexico that transit the United

States. Untreated oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit from Mexico transiting the United States

for export to another country must be shipped in sealed, refrigerated containers and insect-proof

packaging. A transportation and export permit must be issued by an inspector for shipments of

untreated oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit from Mexico, as well as an inspection certificate

and notice of arrival. Without the information, APHIS would not be able to allow the movement

of untreated citrus to transit the United States to foreign countries.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Business, importers

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 3

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FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: On occasion

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 26

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